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THE BEST MINDS

Have you ever thought much about the education of the country's best young minds? Some who have never bothered too much about that question have become greatly interested in recent months and years — primarily because of the great challenge of this era from the Soviet Union.

Among other things which have been uncovered, or publicized, as a result of the analysis of our college program in the United States is the fact that, of the top thirty per cent of our high school graduates, only 66 per cent of the boys and 50 per cent of the girls go to college.

In addition, only fifty of the top male minds in high school graduate from college, and only 33 per cent of the top female minds graduate from college. It is estimated that 400,000 youngsters in that top 30 per cent classification in high school, who have begun college, drop out each year.

Natural questions which are raised by these disturbing statistics are: Why can't we encourage more of the top 30 per cent, in high school, to go to college? Why do 400,000 students in this top bracket drop out of colleges each year?

To some degree the problem is economical. But studies have proven that if a family appreciates college enough—if the parents want the children to go to college badly enough—the children will usually get there, even if the money problem is acute. In families where parents care less, the children often do not go to college, even if they are better off economically, than some who manage to continue their education.

So it really boils down to a question of attitude and that is where the American must mature something, about higher education. We have a rich country and many fine educational institutions. We have a high level of earnings and a high standard of living, and yet in our free enterprise system, a third of the top intellectuals among high school boys and a full half of the girls never go to college.

MOTHER'S DAY, 1961

The observance of Mother's Day is a rather recent one in the United States, beginning in 1907. Miss Anna M. Jarvis, of Philadelphia, had the idea that at least once a year sons and daughters should pay tribute to their mothers. She arranged for a special Mother's service in one of the Philadelphia churches and suggested that white carnations be worn by those attending.

In 1914 Congress designated the second Sunday in May as the day on which this observance be held. Since then, the observance has rapidly spread to every part of the United States and the fact that it became the custom in all the States only four years after it had been suggested testifies to the widespread acceptance of the idea in this country.

In later years, the custom of wearing a white carnation on Mother's Day was changed and those whose mothers were still alive wore red flowers, instead of white, first observed in the United States, Mother's Day has become an international occasion, and the mothers in every area of the world are now honored on Mother's Day each year.

More than anyone else, the mother, who cares for both her home and her children, is destined to influence the character and future of our country.

Often this responsibility is combined with a back-breaking and heart-breaking ordeal of sewing, washing, mending, cleaning, cooking, and teaching.

It is to this mother, who dedicates the best years of her life to her home, her family, and to her church, that the country owes a debt of gratitude. It is this mother who represents the finest, and the sweetest ideals of our civilization.

A New Driving Rule

Oklahoma City, Okla.- Three times in less than three months Kay Dyer, who drives a compact car, has been hit by larger vehicles. The third time really made her mad.

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Washington Notes

No Gas Cut Seen

The Federal tax on your gasoline will continue at 4 cents a gallon—not drop to 3— if Congress follows the lead of the House Ways and Means Committee, which it usually does.

The committee has approved a compromise bill to send an additional $900,000,000 a year into the fund which finances the pay-as-you-go Federal superhighway program.

More Aid For Economy

The Kennedy Administration is planning additional aid for the economy even though some Government experts now expect business to regain its prerecession peak by early summer.

The new moves will be designed to help ensure a solid recovery and a broader attack on the persistent unemployment problem.

Kennedy Takes Blame

President Kennedy has again made it clear that he takes full responsibility for whatever part the United States played in the ill-starred Cuban invasion.

The President, in a statement issued from the White House, said that from the beginning, as President, he bears the responsibility for the events of the past few days and that he was opposed to anyone within or without the Administration attempting to shift the responsibility.

JFK Program Advancing

Senator Mansfield, of Montana, Democratic leader, said that President Kennedy's New Frontier program is "moving along satisfactorily" in Congress.

Mansfield noted that nine of sixteen proposals Kennedy put on a priority list in February have been passed by the Senate, and three have become law.

Living Costs Unchanged

Living costs were unchanged in March from the record high in February.

Prices on some consumer items were higher in March than in February, but others were lower. The changes canceled out each other to leave the index unchanged.

Most price changes were relatively small. Prices for food and transportation, especially for used cars declined.

KNOW THE WEATHER

By E. H. Sims

Do you know what sidereal time is?

Sidereal time, of which we hear little, is an accurate measurement of time; it is the measurement of time derived from observation of the meridian transits of the stars. It differs slightly from solar time.

The mean sidereal day, for example, is only 23 hours, 56 minutes and 4.09 seconds. The time required for the earth to make one complete revolution around the sun is the sidereal year.

The sidereal year is 365 days, 6 hours, 9 minutes and 9.5 seconds. Every fourth year, as the reader probably knows, the extra hours—over and above the 365 days, are combined into one added day — in Leap Year. But the effect of this small time divergence has no noticeable bearing on our weather.

Elephant Goes Berserk

San Angelo, Tex.- A 40-year-old elephant went berserk and trampled to death an elderly man and injured his trainer as bystanders stood by in horror.

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4. What area has been called A SHOPPER'S PARADISE?

4. DOWNTOWN LYNCHBURG

Highway Dept. Plans Visits To Projects

RICHMOND- The State Highway Department has announced plans for a number of highway inspection tours for representatives of the press and other news media during Highway Week May 21-27.

At least five istrict tours are in the planning stage, Department engineers, with the assistance of representatives from the road building industry, will guide the newsmen and Photographers to key construction sites and to areas where major work is proposed.

The tours, to be conducted by bus from the various district headquarters, will be the highlight of two weeks of activity being planned by the Department and the road building industry.

The observance comes at a time when the Virginia road agency is embarked on the greatest highway construction program in its 55-year history. More than $145 million dollars worth of road work was in progress this week. The projects involved some 510 miles of highways.

Highway Commissioner H. H. Harris said the tours and other activities in the coming weeks will be aimed at increasing understanding and appreciation of this highway program on all levels and to gain some awareness of our problems and objectives."

Nationally, Highway Week was proclaimed by President Kennedy. The observance was enthusiastically endorsed by the Congress, Governor Almond was the first of the governors to proclaim a state observance.

Harris said "Highway Week in Virginia reminds us of the grave truth that too many of our present highways are obsolete, dangerous and chocked with traffic. This Department is dedicated to the effort to improve these highways to a state of adequacy not only to meet the needs of today but to carry the tremendously increased traffic loads of tomorrow."

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Evergreen

Evergreen, May 8.- A number from here attended the District Training Union Tournament at the Farmville Baptist Church Tuesday night.

Mrs. Rachel McFadden and Mrs. Donald Dixon and two children visited Mrs. C. J. Paulette Thursday evening. Also Mrs. Jesse Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moon and family, of Spout Spring were the luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Franklin and family last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Garrett were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Garrett and family.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Mrs. Lilly Ferguson, whose death occurred recently.

Mrs. Roy Keys and sister, Mrs. Weiner, of Minn., spent several days at Washington last week.

Mrs. Ronald Paulette has returned home from the hospital, much improved at this time.

Mrs. G. W. Glover spent the weekend at Lynchburg visiting her children.

Mrs. Ethel C. Paulette was the luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Paulette, last Friday.

H. C. Staples, Jr., of Richmond, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Staples, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Staples.

Stonewall

Stonewall, May 9.- We have really had lots of wind all the year. So glad it has turned warmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ray Burnette and Tim, of Concord, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Burnette.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dysee and two children left Sunday for Mobile, Ala. They were called there by the illness of his father. We hope Mr. Dysee will soon be lots better and soon be well again.

Mrs. Parks Jennings spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carson. So glad Mrs. Jennings is feeling lots better and can get around.

Rev. Charlie Spain spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Parks Jennings.

Lots of our people from around here attended the funeral of Mrs. Doris Caldwell Paulette at Drake's Branch on Sunday. We want to extend deepest sympathy to her husband, mother and father and two sisters, and all the other loved ones far and near.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Braford and children spent the week-end with his parents at Natural Bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Elliotte were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Stratton on Saturday night. It was Mr. Stratton's birthday. We wish him many more happy birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Stratton had as their week-end guests their granddaughter, Carson Crawley, and her entire classmates at Appomattox High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Burnette, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ray Burnette and Tim visited Mr. Walter Lee in the Lynchburg Hospital Saturday P. M. Glad to hear that Mr. Lee is improving.

So glad to know little Becky Davidson has returned home from the hospital, much improved. We hope for her a speedy get well.

Rev. and Mrs. John Leitner spent the week-end in Portsmouth, with their children. They took little Shirley Kidd home, who had been here with them several weeks.

We know of several individuals who can tell you what is wrong with the world.

One reason truth makes such little progress is that it is in competition with pretense.

Trade with our Advertisers.

Hollywood

Hollywood, May 8.- Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Austin visited Mr. and Mrs. Norval Bagby Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Franklin and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jenkins were dinner guests of Mrs. C. E. Franklin on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Goin visited Miss Gail Webb at the Virginia Baptist Hospital Sunday night. Gail still remains very ill.

Mr. Walker Webb visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Covington Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam McFall and children, of Lynchburg, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Franklin Sunday.

Mr. Raymond Franklin, of Blueridge Sanitorium Charlottesville is expecting to come home Thursday. Friends and neighbors will be glad to have him home again.

Irish envoy presents a gift to Kennedy.

Teen-age drug ring is broken in New Jersey.

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